

REMARKS

Reconsideration is requested.

Claims 1-48 have been canceled, without prejudice. Claims 49-69 have been added and are pending. No new matter has been added.

The applicants elect, with traverse, the subject matter of the Examiner's Group I. Search and examination of all of the claimed subject matter is not, with due respect, believed to present an undue burden on the Examiner. The applicants also elect the SEQ ID NO:23. Rejoinder of method claims upon allowance of claims to products used and/or made by the claimed methods is also requested.

The claims recite SEQ ID NO: 23, and the polypeptide encoded by that polynucleotide, as set out in SEQ ID NO: 24, to advance prosecution. The subject matter of now-canceled claims 24, 42, 43 and 45 has not been repeated in the amended new claims.

Entry of the above and favorable consideration of all of the claimed subject matter are requested.

The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned in the event anything further is required in response to the Office Action of January 10, 2005.

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